

An Alphabet of the Royal 1960

- A** A's the Aorta that all must rely on:
if Reggie's in doubt he slips in some nylon.
- B** is for Brown with his rag and his bottle:
I am told that at Stormont there are some he would throttle.
- C** is for Craig — not tall or good looking:
golf not too bad but a habit of hooking.
- D** is for Desmond of blood sugar fame:
I am told with his books he has made a great name.
- E** is for Ernest, bald and sunburned:
his motto is always 'leave no stone unturned'.
- F** is for Frankie, I mean Frankie P.,
who knows all the heart waves from P through to T.
- G** is George Johnston, a surgeon with skill:
the 'gun' now has made his mortality — nil.
- H** is for Harley — his skill with the pill
keeps pregnancies down to virtually nil.
- I** is for Irwin, a strong silent man
who for vascular disease does the best that he can.
- J** is Jack Pinkerton — a midwife No. 1:
occasionally here when not chasing the sun.
- K** is for Kennedy — this time it is Joe:
if you can't pass your water he'll soon make it flow.
- L** is for Logan for years nicknamed Bunny:
his political views are serious — not funny.
- M** is for McKeown — the lady professor:
a friend to us all, her students all bless her.
- N** is for Nevin professor genetic
who says it's our genes that make us phrenetic.
- O** is for Osterberg, expert with bones:
a true successor to Sir Robert Jones.
- P** is for Froggatt — his first name is Peter:
the dean for three years — his hair could be neater.
- Q** Q's are the queer ones — I mean mental — not sex:
they're odd in their ways — yet morals not lax.
- R** is for Douglas — the Scottish Rob Roy:
up to date he has proven he's the 'broth of a boy'.
- S** is for Swallow, whose tapping of keys
leaves hardly a moment to tap scraggy knees.

- T** is Tom Smiley — he'll chop out a lung,
if he's not on his farm busy spreading the dung.
- U** U's the Unknown who writes all this drivel
and signs it 'anon' fearing action for libel.
- V** is the Vagus, poor innocent nerve
which Terence attacks with his usual verve.
- W** is Willoughby the Methody chap:
I hear the colons fall into his lap.
- X** are the X-rays now taken with care:
there'll be no overdosage if our Teddy is there.
- Y** Y's are the Young men who daily report
that they do the work when their chiefs are at court.
- Z** is the plasty that Norman produces:
a knife and some forceps are all that he uses.

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- A** Reggie Livingston.
B Maurice Brown.
C David Craig.
D Desmond Montgomery.
E Ernest Morrison.
F Frank Pantridge.
G George Johnston.
H Graham Harley.
I J W S Irwin.
J Professor Pinkerton.
K Joe Kennedy.
L J S Logan.
M Professor Florence McKeown.
N Professor Norman Nevin.
O Paul Osterberg.
P Peter Froggatt.
Q
R Professor Douglas Roy.
S Michael Swallow.
T Tom Smiley.
U
V Terence Kennedy.
W Willoughby Wilson.
X Teddy McIlrath.
Y
Z Norman Hughes.